BEAVERTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

GENERAL ORDER

NUMBER: 17.01.00 SUBJECT: GRAFFITI

EFFECTIVE: AUGUST 1, 1999

REVIEW: AUGUST 2001, 2003, 2005, 2007

1. PURPOSE. To improve our ability to respond to and track graffiti.

2. OFFICER RESPONSIBILITIES:

- A. Officers dispatched on a not-in-progress graffiti call should check with the Records Unit to make sure a report has not already been taken on the incident.
- B. Officers self initiating a crime report on graffiti should check with Records Unit to avoid a duplication.
- C. Officers taking a graffiti report will notify both dispatch and the Records Unit that a report was taken.
- D. Officers taking a graffiti report will attempt to resolve who will handle or be responsible for the clean up of the graffiti, and document that information in the report.

3. GRAFFITI LOG.

A. The Records Unit will maintain a separate graffiti log to enable them to respond to inquiries and avoid duplication.

4. REPORT DISTRIBUTION.

- A. The Records Unit will direct a copy of all graffiti reports to the Community Oriented Policing and Problem Solving (COPPS) Lieutenant, who will in turn forward it to the Community Resource Team.
- B. The Community Resource Team will then be responsible to enter the pertinent information about each graffiti report into the graffiti database for tracking and enforcement purposes.

- 5. CLEAN UP. If the officer is unable to coordinate cleanup with the property owner, the COPPS Lieutenant will be notified. The COPPS Lieutenant will arrange for cleanup through the BPD Volunteer Program, the Washington County Corrections, or Code Services.
- 6. GRAFFITI PATTERNS. The COPPS Lieutenant will be responsible, supported by the Community Resource Team and the Crime Analyst, for graffiti pattern and resource concerns.
- 7. REPORTING GRAFFITI.
 - A. Citizens reporting graffiti crimes in progress should be encouraged to call 9-1-1
 - B. Citizens wishing to report graffiti crimes not in progress should be encouraged to call 629-0111.

Chief of Police	Date